

CLAIMS

I claim:

5 *Sub A* 1. A ski system, comprising:

a base member having an upper surface and a lower surface;

10 a securing structure attached to said upper surface of said base member for catchably receiving a shoe; and

15 a plurality of gripping members attached to and extending downwardly from said lower surface, wherein each of said plurality of gripping members has a front portion for gliding upon a snow surface allowing forward movement and a rear portion for engaging said snow surface for preventing rearward movement.

2. The ski system of Claim 1, wherein said front portion is tapered upwardly and forwardly to said lower surface of said base member.

3. The ski system of Claim 1, wherein said front portion is curved upwardly and forwardly to said lower surface of said base member.

4. The ski system of Claim 1, wherein said rear portion extends upwardly to said lower surface of said base member.

25 5. The ski system of Claim 1, wherein said rear portion extends upwardly and at a forward angle to said lower surface of said base member.

6. The ski system of Claim 1, wherein said base member includes a front lip curved upwardly.

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7. The ski system of Claim 1, wherein said rear portion is comprised of a closed structure.

8. The ski system of Claim 1, wherein said plurality of gripping members are aligned in three parallel rows along a longitudinal axis of said base member.

9. The ski system of Claim 1, wherein said securing structure is comprised of a receiver structure for receiving the rear portion of a shoe, a first strap attached to said base member and a second strap attached to said base member, wherein said straps may be connected about a front portion of said shoe.

10. The ski system of Claim 9, wherein said straps are comprised of an elastic material.

11. A ski system, comprising:

25 a base member having an upper surface and a lower surface;
a first sidewall extending from said base member, and a second sidewall extending from said base member, wherein said sidewalls include a plurality of apertures within for receiving a securing strap that secures a shoe upon said base member;

a securing structure attached to said upper surface of said base member for catchably receiving a shoe; and

5 a plurality of gripping members attached to and extending downwardly from said lower surface, wherein each of said plurality of gripping members has a front portion for gliding upon a snow surface allowing forward movement and a rear portion for engaging said snow surface for preventing rearward movement.

10 12. The ski system of Claim 11, wherein said front portion is tapered upwardly and forwardly to said lower surface of said base member.

15 13. The ski system of Claim 11, wherein said front portion is curved upwardly and forwardly to said lower surface of said base member.

20 14. The ski system of Claim 11, wherein said rear portion extends upwardly to said lower surface of said base member.

25 15. The ski system of Claim 11, wherein said rear portion extends upwardly and at a forward angle to said lower surface of said base member.

16. The ski system of Claim 11, wherein said base member includes a front lip curved upwardly.

17. The ski system of Claim 11, wherein said rear portion is comprised of a closed structure.

5 18. The ski system of Claim 11, wherein said plurality of gripping members are
an aligned in three parallel rows along a longitudinal axis of said base member.

10 19. The ski system of Claim 11, wherein said securing structure is comprised
of a receiver structure for receiving the rear portion of a shoe, a first strap attached to
said first sidewall and a second strap attached to said second sidewall, wherein said
straps may be connected about a front portion of said shoe.

20. The ski system of Claim 19, wherein said straps are comprised of an elastic
material.

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